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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: James A. Noyes
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CENTRAL JAIL – MAIN BUILDING

On February 19, 2002, your Board adopted plans and specifications for this earthquake repair project and instructed the Executive Officer to advertise for bids. Seven copies of the bid documents were picked up by prospective bidders, and on April 16, 2002, two bids were received. During evaluation of the bids, both bidders withdrew their bids. Public Works performed a post bid review of the project and contacted the five potential contractors who had not responded with a bid. Key issues expressed by the contractors included the newly mandated security requirements relating to the identification and control of tools/supplies and the crowded ceiling plenum of some of the jail corridors where shotcrete was to be installed.

Public Works has determined that it is in the best interest of the County to consent to relieve both bidders and to review possible changes to the plans to address the shotcrete installation concern. We will return to your Board in the future with amended plans and a request to readvertise for bids.

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